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CLARKSBURG, W. VA. FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1908.

PRICE TWO CENTS.

TWENTY OR MORE BURIED WHEN STREET GOES DOWN

As the Horrible Result of the
Explosion of a Gas Main
in the Street.

ENTIRE STREET FALLS

Carrying With It Persons
Walking Along it and Fall-
ing on Several Laborers.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—More than twenty persons are believed to have lost their lives as the result of an explosion of a gas main at Gold and Tenth streets, Brooklyn, today. Practically the whole street from the Hoop line between Gold and Front streets tumbled into a fifty foot excavation, in which fifteen or more men were working, and several persons who were walking along the street. It is believed, were carried down with the street.

It is believed that every person who went into the excavation was killed or smothered or drowned. Fifty tenement houses on the block are in danger of falling into the trench. So great was the mass of broken timbers and mud in the bottom of the trench that four hours after the explosion the police and firemen were unable to find any other than one body which was found in the street.

It is believed the bodies of nearly twenty workmen and an unknown woman and two children are buried in the debris, but the work of recovery is delayed by the necessity of putting up high walls in the deep trench before an attempt is made to clear away the wreckage.

Five Italians who lingered about the scene before the explosion were taken into custody on suspicion of knowing something about the accident.

GOVERNOR-ELECT TO VISIT GIRLS' HOME

Superintendent of Salem In-
stitution Receives Word
to That Effect.

Miss Hilda M. Duncan, superin-
tendent of the Industrial Home for
Girls, at Salem, has received word
from Governor-elect William E.
Glasscock that he will pay a visit to
the home before the biennial ses-
sion of the state legislature in Jan-
uary next.

Mr. Glasscock is taking a much
needed rest after the strenuous ex-
ertions of the campaign and accord-
ing to information he has given out
to his personal friends, he will make
a tour of the state and visit all the
state institutions before the legisla-
ture meets.

He is expected to arrive in Salem
the last of December or early in the
new year. The officials at the home
are already making preparations to
receive him, the expected visit being
the first ever made to this important
institution since its establishment by
the state government.

FROZEN IN ICE

South Bend Watch Will Be
in Window of Krohne's
Jewelry Store.

An interesting exhibit will be placed
on display in a front show window
of J. F. Krohne's jewelry store on
Third street Saturday. It will be a
huge cake of ice in the center of
which will be a seventeen-jewel South
Bend watch, in a silver case. The
watch will be running. The exhibit is
made for the purpose of demonstrat-
ing the guarantee of the makers of
the watch that it will keep perfect
time in all temperatures, and in all
kinds of weather. It is claimed for
the watch that it will keep perfect
time even if frozen in a cake of ice
or kept in a hot oven.

HOTEL RE-OPENS

Mountain State at Salem Resumes
Business After Extensive Repairs.

Thomas Gaines, who for the last
several weeks has been renovating
and refurbishing the Mountain State
hotel property at Salem has opened
the popular place to the public. The
well known and commodious hotel-
ier is now in fine shape for the enter-
tainment of guests and the uniform
courtesy of the popular manager
guarantees a successful business for
the place.

ON THE ROCKS.

AVACCIOS, Corvica, Nov. 20.—The
French cruiser Conderan is on the
rocks off the Corsican coast today.
The position is critical, but there was
no loss of life.

TAFT TO DEMAND TARIFF REVISION

CROKER BACK FROM IRELAND

Will Be Here Six Months
But Will Not Re-Enter
the Political Field.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—Richard
Croker who for years directed the
destinies of the many Hall before he
retired to his estate in Ireland, today
returned to New York as a visitor
to see old friends. He will remain in
the United States about six months.
He declares he will not enter the
field of politics. Few friends were
there to welcome him when the
steamer reached the quarantine sta-
tion.

RECOUNT BEGINS

For Several Officers in Marion County
After Writ of Mandamus is Dismissed

The Democratic election writ of
mandamus to summon election offi-
cers in Marion county to appear be-
fore the court and sign certain tally
sheets was passed on adversely by
Judge John W. Mason at Fairmont,
after which a demand was made for
a recount for C. D. Conway for sher-
iff, Orville Murray for House of De-
legates, and Ralph Fleming for Justice
of the peace. The recount began this
afternoon.

ANOTHER COUNTY

In the State of Ohio Ousts
the Saloon Business
By a Big Vote.

FAIRBURN, O., Nov. 20.—Lake
county's twenty-one precincts all
voted "dry" except the smallest, Rich-
mond, which polled 25 wet and 23
dry. The county's dry majority was
1,589. The total vote was only 4,557.
Fairbourn city voted 848 to
476, Willoughby dry by 437 to 211;
Mento 277 to 108; Madison 406 to
211; Fairport village 219 to 108. The
total vote was 3,073 dry, 1,484 wet.
The campaign here was strictly local
affair organized by farmers and busi-
ness men.

PRETOR AGENT HERE.

M. H. Jacobs, of Baltimore, Md.,
traveling freight agent of the West-
ern Maryland railroad, is a visitor in
the city. He is calling at the offi-
ces of the coal companies and other
industrial concerns here on business
matters connected with his road.

NO CABINET SLATE

Has Been Made Up and No
One Offered a Cabinet
Position As Yet.

HOT SPRINGS, Va., Nov. 20.—
William H. Taft said today that his
cabinet was not made up or slated.
No one has been decided upon for
any place in it and no offers of any
cabinet position has been made to
anyone. The President-elect had an
extended talk with Senator Scott, of
West Virginia, today.

OFFER TO ADMIRAL EVANS

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Nov. 20.—
Rear Admiral E. D. Evans, who took
the Atlantic battleship fleet to the
Pacific coast, is to become a builder of
railroads and a developer of harbor
waterways. This became known to-
day, when it was announced that he
had been chosen chairman of the di-
rectorate of the Los Angeles Harbor
Commission, which is building a rail-
way system from San Pedro harbor to
places in southern California.

FIGURING ON NEW EQUIPMENT

The report that the Baltimore &
Ohio had placed a contract with the
Baltimore Steel Car Company of Pitts-
burg for 2,500 steel freight cars has
been officially denied. While it is
stated on good authority that the B. &
O. is figuring on estimates for new
equipment, rails and supplies, the
officials say that no contracts have
been awarded and probably will not
be for a few months.

THIRD PEACE CONFERENCE.

THE HAGUE, Nov. 20.—The gov-
ernment of the Netherlands has pro-
posed to advocate the convocation of
an international committee to ar-
range for a third peace conference.

And is Actively Engaged in
Looking After the Session
of the Next Congress.

HOT SPRINGS, Va., Nov. 20.—
That President-elect William H. Taft
entertains a vigorous determination
that the forthcoming revision of the
tariff shall be thorough, made in
good faith and in accordance with
the pledge of the party, is daily evi-
denced in the earnestness with which
he talks on this subject with his po-
litical callers.

His interests goes to the extent of
seeking detailed information regard-
ing the personnel and prospective or-
ganization of the Sixty-first con-
gress. It is necessary for him, as
the head of the party, and responsi-
ble to the American people for car-
rying out its promises to begin his
work at once, by insuring, if possible,
such an organization of the next con-
gress as shall make it possible for
the legislative and executive branch-
es to work in complete harmony.

TWO DROWNED

And Six Others Rescued
When Machine Plunges
Into Calumet River.

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 20.—Two
persons were drowned and six others
rescued from water, when an auto-
mobile swerved from its course at
the approach to the Torrence avenue
bridge over the Calumet river today.
The occupants of the machine were
four chauffeurs and four young women
all living at 2108 Armour avenue.

ROBBERS CAUGHT

Men Arrested at Oakland and
Accused of Burglary
at Corinth.

The store of Postmaster Fullin, of
Corinth, W. Va., a half mile from
Huton, Garrett county, Md., was en-
tered and robbed of merchandise
Wednesday night. The burglars
walked to Rimard, where they took a
B. & O. freight train for Oakland.
Conductor Delawder, of Cumberland,
recognized the men from a descrip-
tion given him and when they arrived
at Oakland yesterday afternoon they
were placed under arrest. They gave
their names as Williams and Room-
by.

WOMAN IS CHARGED WITH STEALING A DUCK

Mrs. John Gonsareck, a Slavish
woman of Pimlico, Md., will be
tried in Magistrate Gordon's court
this evening on the charge of stealing
a duck, valued at 50 cents, from Mrs.
Apollonia Stazima, a neighbor, who is
also Slavish. The latter swore out a
warrant against Mrs. Gonsareck and
Constable Ford served the same Fri-
day forenoon.

GOES OVER BANK

Street Car on Mannington
Line Wrecked and Several
Have Narrow Escapes.

MANNINGTON, Nov. 20.—As the
car "Marion" of the Light & Power
Company was making the 12 o'clock
run to the pottery it left the track on
a curve, just above just above the cut-
ting room of the window glass works
and was completely wrecked. Mo-
toman Chisty was taking the usual
precautions but the car left the track
and went over the embankment 10
feet. Will Hawkins and James
Shrader, employees of the road, were
on the car. Seeing danger all three
men jumped and escaped serious in-
jury. Hawkins, however, had his
right hand slightly cut and his left
knee hurt in falling, but his injuries
are of the slightest nature.

INAUGURAL CHAIRMAN.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 20.—
The name of the local man who has
been selected as chairman of the in-
augural committee will be announced
by Frank H. Hitchcock, chairman of
the Republican National committee,
next Monday.

NEWMAN SENT TO ASYLUM.

CINCINNATI, O., Nov. 20.—Harri-
man Newman, who made threats
against the life of George B. Cox,
was sent to an insane asylum. New-
man was recently a resident of In-
dianapolis.

MRS. CURRENCE IS PRESIDENT

Grand Assembly of Rebekahs
Honor One of Its Mem-
bers from Clarksburg.

BLUEFIELD, Nov. 20.—The forty-
third annual session of the Grand
Lodge of Odd Fellows closed here
last night amid scenes of wildest
confusion. Three hundred delegates
were on their feet at one time tear-
ing banners, burning and very con-
ceivable form of decoration from the
walls and ceiling of Hearn hall, that
it might be carried home as souvenirs.

Rounds of applause and laughter
greeted every effort on the part of
delegates to secure prizes and even
Grand Lodge officials took active part
in the fun.

The election of officers took place
in the afternoon and at the night
session installation took place. W.
H. Cecil, retiring grand master, was
presented with a jewel by fellow
lodgesmen.

After adjournment over \$8,000
was distributed among the delegates
and grand officers, the same being
the amount of their expenses to
Bluefield and return to their homes.
The following officers were elect-
ed:

Grand Master—J. D. Marattier, of
Elkins.
Deputy Grand Master—Dr. D. P.
Kessler, of Cowan.
Grand Warden—E. W. Rouse, of
New Martinsville.
Grand Secretary—F. A. Billings-
lee, of Fairmont.
Grand Treasurer—George S. Stout,
of Parkersburg.

Grand Representative to the So-
vereign Grand Lodge—William H.
Cecil, of Parkersburg.
A levy of twenty-five cents per
capita was made to bear the expenses
of the grand lodge and a levy of \$1
per capita was laid for the Odd Fel-
lows' Home fund.

The Rebekahs closed their twenty-
second annual assembly today.
The following officers were elected:

President—Mrs. May Currence, of
Clarksburg.
Vice-President—Mrs. Elizabeth
Curry.
Grand Warden—Mrs. Jennie L.
Hutchinson.
Grand Secretary—Mrs. Hattie Ro-
ney.
Grand Treasurer—Mrs. Emma
Johnson.

Eight members were given the as-
sembly degree. The memorial com-
mittee reported that twenty-five
members had passed into the great
beyond during the past year.

MR. MALLEY DIES

Friends in the City Are Deep-
ly Pained to Learn of
His Demise.

Many Clarksburg friends learn
with regret of the death of Robert
J. Malley at his home in Parkersburg
last night. For a number of years
and until he was injured in the Sil-
ver Run wreck he was supervisor of
this part of the Baltimore & Ohio
railroad system. His age was 55
years. He leaves a wife and several
children. The funeral will take
place in Parkersburg tomorrow
morning at 10 o'clock.

RUN ON BANK

Causes Comptroller of the
Currency to Appoint a
Receiver for Bank.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 19.—
Comptroller of the Currency Murray
today appointed James D. Bradley,
a bank examiner, receiver of the First
National Bank of Fort Scott, Kan.
There was a run on the bank the last
two days. The bank's capital is
\$100,000, and it had a surplus of
\$25,000.

ROSEMONT BUSY.

The Rosemont Coal Company is
doing a large business in the way of
mining and shipping coal. Good
times have struck that industrial cen-
ter good and hard. There is no doubt
of the fact that the pre-election
promises are being fulfilled so far as
Rosemont is concerned.

LABORERS KILLED.

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 20.—Seven
track laborers on a hand car were
run down by a Chicago, Burlington &
Quincy passenger train today between
Highland and LaGrange, Ill.

LITTLE CHANGE IN THE SCHEDULE

Of B. & O. Trains at This
Point, Which Goes Into
Effect Tomorrow.

There is little change in the time
of arrival and departure of trains on
the Baltimore & Ohio railroad at
the Clarksburg station under the new
winter schedule which goes into ef-
fect tomorrow. What changes made
by it are indicated in the following:

There is no change of time of
through trains east and west bound
on the main line.

The Parkersburg accommodation
under the new schedule arrives from
Grafton at 7:15 a. m. and 4 p. m. and
arrives from Parkersburg at 10:20 a.
m. and 7:20 p. m.

The Pittsburgh flyer leaves for Con-
nellsville and Pittsburgh daily except
Sunday at 6:10 a. m. and arrives from
Pittsburgh daily except Sunday at
11:05 p. m. The old time train from
Morgantown and Fairmont ar-
rives as heretofore, daily except Sun-
day at 8:35 a. m.

The Weston train that heretofore
departed at 4:15 p. m. daily except
Sunday, under the new schedule de-
parts at 6:15 p. m. The Sunday time
for the train that heretofore de-
parted at 10:30 a. m. under the
new schedule, and the one that de-
parted at 6 p. m. will hereafter de-
part at 6:15 p. m.

All other time schedules remain the
same.

ANOTHER SENATOR

In This State is Claimed by
Democrats on the Wheel-
ing Register's Discovery.

WHEELING, Nov. 20.—The Wheel-
ing Register claims to have discover-
ed that J. L. Smith, Democrat, was
elected to the state senate from the
seventh senatorial district of the
state, instead of A. W. Holmes, Re-
publican nominee, by a majority of
48 votes. The discovery is based on
the official returns. The district is
composed of Mercer, Monroe, Rail-
sign and Summers counties.

BANKRUPTCY PETITION.

In the office of the United States
district attorney for the northern
district of West Virginia, an involun-
tary petition in bankruptcy has
been filed against the Bruce Oil Co.,
of New Martinsville. The petition-
ers are S. R. Bruce, C. A. Lowther
and W. R. Fletcher, who claim \$1,598.57
for work done.

BLOWN TO PIECES

Is a Laborer and Five Others
Fatally Injured by Dy-
namite Explosion.

BROWNSVILLE, Pa., Nov. 20.—
Eugene Campbell, a laborer, was
blown to pieces and five others
fatally injured, when a quantity of
dynamite exploded in a shaft at the
Simpson coal mine near here today.

SAFE BLOWN

And Big Sum of Money Tak-
en by Burglars Who Hold
Citizens at Bay.

ATTICA, O., Nov. 20.—Robbers
held citizens at bay early today
while they blew open and robbed the
safe of Benninger & Silcox of \$6,000
in cash. The robbers were fired up-
on but escaped.

MURDER TRIAL POSTPONED.

OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 20.—The trial
of Charles E. Davis, charged with
the murder of Dr. Frederick Rustin,
will be postponed one week from
next Monday. County Attorney
English gave as his reason for this
that he did not wish to begin trial
of so important a case during a holi-
day week because the festivities sur-
rounding holidays tended to in-
fluence the jurors.

SEATS GOING RAPIDLY

The sale of reserved seats for the
"Follies of 1907," which is the big at-
traction at the Grand opera house
Monday night, opened with a rush at
the theatre box office this morning at
9 o'clock. This afternoon about half
of the seats had been sold and the in-
dications are that the "standing room
only" sign will be hung out at the
opera house early Monday evening.

STATE RESTS.

LAPORTE, Ind., Nov. 20.—The
state rested this morning in the trial
of Ray Laphere.

Government Purposes That
He Shall Tell History of
the Last 25 Years.

CROSS QUESTIONS

Now Are Being Asked But
Company Wants Archbold
to Tell Last Chapters.

NEW YORK, Nov. 20.—The last
quarter-century's wonderful develop-
ment of the Standard Oil Company
will probably not be recounted upon all
by John D. Rockefeller in his
testimony in the government suit to
dissolve this so-called trust.

Until a moment before adjourn-
ment yesterday there had been no in-
formation that Rockefeller's direct
narrative of his connection with the
oil industry from 1860 until the present
time would be furnished. His
part of the early days of business
and the development of the company
from that time until 1882. At that
point, however, his counsel called
Rockefeller in his story. It was ex-
pected that the direct examination
of the witness was completed.

Today when the counsel for the
government began the cross-examina-
tion it was believed he would be led
to confine his questions to the com-
paratively early period described by
Rockefeller in his story. It is ex-
pected that the history of the oil
companies in later years would be
related by John D. Archbold.

Rockefeller took the witness stand
when the hearing was resumed this
morning. His cross-examination was
at once begun by Frank R. Kellogg,
special assistant district attorney.

At the outset Kellogg said the
cross-examination would not be con-
fined to the period between 1882 and
1891, concerning which Rockefeller
gave evidence on his direct examina-
tion, but would cover also subse-
quent developments which were con-
nected directly with those of the
period described by Rockefeller.

During the examination by Kel-
logg it was brought out that the
Standard's net earnings up to 1906
were \$551,922,904. The net earn-
ings for 1907 were approximately
eighty million dollars.

Asked about the Standard Oil
agreement with the Pennsylvania
railroad in 1897 in which the Penn-
sylvania agreed to pay back one per
cent. of the freight rates which the
Standard paid, Rockefeller said they
sought to secure what all shippers
then and now seek.

He was still on the stand when
recess was taken.

MORRIS STRICKEN

Well Known Resident of
Grass Run Suffers from
a Paralytic Stroke.

Word comes from Grass Run that
James M. Morris, one of the best
known and most highly respected
citizens of that community, is lying
in a serious condition at his home
from the effects of a stroke of paral-
ysis which visited him while here
early last week. Mr. Morris was
here on business and while here be-
gan to feel the effects of a paral-
ytic ailment which made it neces-
sary for some friends to accompany
him home. His condition has not
materially improved since that time
and his family and many friends
are somewhat alarmed.

While Mr. Morris is by no means
an old man, yet his health has not
been the best for some months and
business cares and ill health have
so weighed upon him that his pre-
sent condition is regarded quite grave.

JUSTICE BALDWIN

Will Address the West Vir-
ginia Bar Association at Its
Next Meeting.

The West Virginia State Bar As-
sociation will hold its next meeting
December 23 and 30 in Huntington.
Elaborate arrangements are being
made for the affair and Chief Justice
Simon E. Baldwin, of the supreme
court of errors, of Connecticut, has
been secured to make the principal
address. He is also a professor of
constitutional law in the law depart-
ment of Yale. Other addresses will
be made by T. C. Palmer, of Wells-
burg, and Judge Doolittle, of Hunt-
ington.

BREWERY BUYS SALOON

The Clarksburg Brewing Company
through its manager, Mr. Tarr, pur-
chased the Thompsons & Gary hotel
and saloon in the Ewager building on
West Pike street at Prunco's sale
Friday morning. The purchase price
was \$5,600.
It is stated the place was bought
for John W. Duffy, and the latter will
conduct it hereafter.